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**ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
TOWN OF WEBSTER.**

1899.

**NEW HAMPSHIRE
STATE LIBRARY**

ANNUAL REPORTS

OF THE

SELECTMEN, TREASURER, ROAD AGENTS, SCHOOL
BOARD, AND LIBRARY TRUSTEES

OF THE

TOWN OF WEBSTER

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

CONCORD :

E. T. McSHANE, PEOPLE AND PATRIOT JOB PRINT.
1899.

SELECTMENS' REPORT.

FOR

The Year Ending February 15, 1899.

Amount of taxes assessed April 1, 1899 and committed to the Collector, Charles H. Putney,	\$3,171.32
The collector has paid into the treasury as shown by the treasurer's receipts,	3,087.28

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury,	\$16.91
Savings bank tax,	1,187.59
Railroad tax,	169.05
Insurance tax,	7.50
Literary fund,	45.60
Town Clerk, dog licenses,	105.60
Use of Town Hall,	.50
County support of paupers,	286.59
Town of Salisbury fighting fire, 1897,	16.00
C. A. Brackett, note of town,	500.00
C. A. Brackett, note of town,	200.00
C. A. Brackett, note of town,	200.00
Error in Davis, Martin & Co. bill,	.50
Boscawen & Penacook Water Works Co.,	119.36
C. H. Putney, Col. 1898,	2,879.53
C. H. Putney, Col. 1897,	207.75
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	\$5,942.51

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS.

Paid Henry J. Brackett, fighting fire, 1897,	2.25
Rumford Printing Co., printing town reports,	24.00
J. L. Colby, cash paid fighting fire, 1897,	.75
F. A. Lang, work after settlement,	8.10
D. S. Scribner, repairs for road machine,	8.85
D. S. Scribner, stringers for Pond Hill bridge,	6.00
Kirk H. Bills, board of selectmen,	6.30
Silsby & Son, blank book and stationary,	5.03
G. W. Jackman, digging graves and care of town house,	8.50
G. P. Titcomb, M. D., return of births,	.50
J. L. Colby, 1-2 cost rebuilding Beaver dam bridge,	64.40
G. W. Jackman, digging two graves and care of cemetery,	13.00
Davis, Martin & Co., dynamite and fuse,	3.30
E. A. Griffin, bridge railway,	1.75
W. W. Burbank, lumber for bridge,	2.52
C. H. Putney, damage to plow,	3.00
C. H. Putney, land damage,	5.00
C. D. Jackman, damage to wagon and harness,	10.00
H. W. Tilton, sheep killed by dogs,	11.00
E. J. Hardy, use of water,	3.00
G. H. Stone, sheep killed by dogs,	10.00
Berlin Iron Bridge Co., 44 guide boards,	17.60
Charles George, fighting fire, 1897,	1.50
E. A. Griffin, repairs on Burpee bridge,	6.28
W. S. Putney, use of water,	2.00
W. S. Putney, sheep killed by dogs,	2.00
W. S. Putney, making deed,	.50
W. S. Putney, digging graves,	6.50
W. S. Putney, care Riverdale cemetery,	5.00
C. S. Colby, use of water,	3.00
F. J. Plummer, work on Beaver dam bridge,	.75
Kirk H. Bills, driving hearse,	12.00
Kirk H. Bills, room rent,	5.00

Paid Henry Dodge, trustee, library appropriation,	\$53.70
Henry Dodge, use of water,	3.00
Henry Dodge, returns of births and deaths,	2.50
C. H. Putney, stationery and stamps,	5.08
M. A. and Charlott Pillsbury, interest on notes,	15.00
C. C. Kimball, use of water,	3.00
D. G. Holmes, time and expenses in Bos- cawen and Penacook water works case,	10.00
J. L. Colby, time and expenses in Bos- cawen and Penacook water works case,	10.00
C. H. Putney, witness in water works case,	3.17
W. W. Burbank, witness in water works case,	2.69
Tax on Boscawen and Penacook Water Works Co.,	42.00
W. W. Burbank, lumber for bridges,	6.81
Henry Dodge, school supplies,	29.85
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	\$127.60
	446.18

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid S. J. Courser, services as auditor,	1.50
D. G. Holmes, services as selectman,	27.75
A. H. Cross, services as supervisor,	10.00
C. D. Elliott, services as supervisor,	15.00
C. D. Elliott, services as auditor,	1.50
A. B. Kilborn, services as ballot inspector,	2.00
J. L. Colby, services as selectman,	28.50
M. A. Pillsbury, services as justice,	.25
C. F. Goodhue, services as supervisor,	10.00
Ira A. Call, services as constable,	7.00
Ira A. Call, services as ballot inspector,	2.00
Henry A. Brackett, services as constable,	5.25
F. A. Lang, town clerk,	23.53
C. H. Putney, collector, 1897,	10.00
J. H. Noyes, services as selectman,	39.00
I. A. Burbank, services as ballot inspector,	2.00
W. W. Burbank, services as treasurer, and stamps,	27.35
C. H. Putney, collector, 1898,	45.00
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	\$267.63
	267.63

PAUPERS.

Paid A. M. French, board of Dora E. Call,	\$7.80
A. M. French, board of Dora E. Call,	9.20
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	7.50
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	6.00
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	6.00
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	7.50
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	6.00
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	6.00
Davis, Martin & Co., supplies furnished E. Chase,	87.93
Davis, Martin & Co., supplies furnished Rachel Call,	12.32
Davis, Martin & Co., supplies furnished Rachel Call,	16.41
A. M. French, clothing for Dora E. Call,	2.10
F. B. Courser, board of S. Downing,	7.50
B. F. Thompson, supplies for E. Chase,	45.50
F. B. Courser, board of Samuel Dowling,	6.00
B. F. Thompson, support of Ella Chase,	14.00
B. F. Thompson, clothing for Dora E. Call,	3.00
A. M. French, clothing for Dora E. Call,	5.36
F. B. Courser, support of S. Downing,	7.56
B. F. Thompson, supplies for Ella Chase,	17.50
F. B. Courser, support of S. Downing,	6.00
F. B. Courser, support of S. Downing,	12.00
B. F. Thompson, supplies for Ella Chase,	3.50
Henry Dodge, M. D., Med. for R. Call,	3.00
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	\$305.62

ABATEMENTS.

Paid Thomas Gerrish Est., overtax,	\$9.44
Daniel Milton Est., overtax,	1.18
C. H. Putney, overtax,	6.25
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	\$16.87

ROADS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Newell Watson, work after settlement,	\$28.54
Watson Bros, snowing 3 bridges,	7.50
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	\$36.04

ROAD AGENTS.

Paid D. S. Scribner,	\$251.32
L. C. Putney,	244.35
G. S. Scribner,	241.55
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	\$737.22

SCHOOL MONEY.

Paid W. W. Burbank, treasurer,	\$300.00
Henry Dodge,	225.00
W. W. Burbank, treasurer,	480.20
W. W. Burbank, treasurer,	1.80
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	\$1,007.00

SCHOOL BOARD.

Paid T. C. Sweatt, services as auditor,	\$1.00
D. G. Holmes. services as auditor,	1.00
Henry Dodge, services as clerk of school district,	2.00
Vienna Dodge, services on school board,	11.00
Henry Dodge, services on school board,	22.00
Henry F. Pearson, services on school board,	25.00
W. W. Burbank, as treasurer,	10.00
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Paid state tax,	\$72.00
County tax,	760.00
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	\$1,088.30

NOTES AND INTEREST.

Paid C. A. Brackett, note,	\$210.00
C. A. Brackett, note,	205.80
First National Bank, on Concord note,	467.49
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	\$883.29

SUMMARY.

Paid Miscellaneous bills,	\$446.18
Paupers,	305.62
Abatements,	16.87
State tax,	760.75
County tax.	1,088.30
Roads and bridges,	36.04
School board,	72.00
Town officers,	257.63
School money,	1,007.00
Road agents,	737.22
Notes and interest,	883.29
Cash in treasury,	331.61
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	\$5,942.51

MONEY IN TRUST.

Paid town treasurer \$200.00, received of C. C. Coffin estate, the income to be expended for the care of Riverdale cemetery.

ASSETS.

Due from C. H. Putney, Col., 1897,	32.34
from C. H. Putney, Col., 1898,	291.79
Jackman wood lot,	250.00
Cash in treasury,	331.61
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	\$905.74

TOWN INDEBTEDNESS.

Charlotte C. Pillsbury, note,	\$200.00
Moody A. Pillsbury, note,	100.00
C. A. Brackett, note,	500.00
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	\$800.00

Balance in favor of town, 105.74

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH H. NOYES,

JAMES L. COLBY,

DANIEL G. HOLMES,

Selectmen of Webster.

The accounts of the treasurer and selectmen have been
examined and approved. F. F. FISKE,
Auditor.

STATEMENT OF SETTLEMENT OF THE SUIT AGAINST
THE BOSCAWEN & PENACOOK WATER WORKS CO.

CONCORD, N. H., December 7, 1898.

Selectmen of Webster, N. H.

Gentlemen: The Water Precinct have settled the suit against them. Enclosed find our check for \$119.36, which is made up of the following items.

Tax, 1895, with interest,	\$24.70
Tax, 1896, with interest,	26.80
Tax, 1897, with interest,	24.20
Tax, 1898,	17.80
Selectmen's expenses and time,	20.00
Mr. Putnam, witness,	3.17
Mr. Burbank, witness,	2.69
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Total,	\$119.36

You can see to the proper distribution of this money. The Precinct paid our bill also, and we have no charge against the Town of Webster.

Yours truly,
ALBIN, MARTIN & HOWE.

Dictated by M.

Per B.

Encl.

INVOICE APRIL 1, 1898.

144	Polls,	\$14,400.00
	Resident real estate,	164,177.00
	Nonresident real estate,	32,448
243	Horses,	11,255.00
26	Oxen,	1,345.00
360	Cows,	7,967.00
	Other stock,	1,721.00

362 sheep,	1,124.00
12 Hogs,	120.00
50 Fowls,	20.00
1 Carriage,	50.00
Stock in public funds,	800.00
Stock in corporations out of state,	1,000.00
Money on hand,	13,688.00
Stock in trade,	12,255.00
Mills and Machinery,	3,300.00
Rate of tax, \$1.18 on \$100,00	

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury March 1, 1898,	\$16.91
Rec'd. of Selectmen,	422.98
Town Clerk dog licence,	105.60
C. A. Brackett, note of town,	900.00
State Treasurer, insurance tax,	7.50
State Treasurer, railroad tax,	169.05
State Treasurer, Savings bank tax,	1,187.59
State Treasurer, literary fund,	45.60
C. H. Putney, collector, 1897, 1898,	207.75 2,879.53
C. C. Coffin, Est., trust fund,	200.00
	—————\$6,142.00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid orders of selectmen,	\$2,878.56
State tax,	760.75
County tax,	1,088.30
C. A. Brackett, notes and Int.	760.75
First National Bank, notes and Int.	467.49
Deposited in N. H. Savings bank, C. C. Coffin fund,	200.00
Cash in treasury,	331.61

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM W. BURBANK,

Treasurer.

ROAD AGENT'S REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

Received of town treasurer by order of Selectmen,	\$244.35
From February 15 to March 8, 1898:	
Paid L. C. Putney and W. F. Wadleigh breaking roads,	\$12.51
Paid Elmer Scribner, breaking roads,	2.40
Frank Elliott, breaking roads,	2.00
S. E. Ober, breaking roads,	.70
L. S. Tilton, breaking roads,	.25
Frank Shepard, breaking roads,	.68
C. W. Towle, breaking roads,	.25
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	\$18.79
From March 8, 1898, to February 15, 1899.	
Paid for use of team:	
L. C. Putney, 10 days' work,	\$35.00
A. B. Kilborn, 8 days' work,	28.00
W. F. Wadleigh, 2 1-2 days' work,	17.88
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	\$80.88
Paid F. E. Frost, 8 days' work,	\$12.00
Ed. Silver, 3 days' work,	3.75
F. E. Silver, 5 days' work,	6.25
Fred George, 6 days' work,	7.50
Walter Chase, 2 days' work,	1.50
George Hanson, 1 1-2 days' work,	1.88
S. E. Ober, 3 days' work,	3.75
L. C. Putney, 6 1-2 days' work,	9.75
L. C. Putney and man, 1 day's work,	2.75
O. P. Daniells, 1 days' work,	1.25
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	\$50.38
Repairs and expenses for road machine,	\$2.70
Paid G. A. Locke, work on road machine,	.50
Humphrey & Dodge, one rake,	.45
G. A. Locke, for 2 drills and sharpening drills,	\$1.08
A. C. Sanborn, dynamite caps and fuse,	4.65
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	\$9.38

BRIDGES AND CULVERTS.

Paid H. F. Pearson,	\$1.25
J. H. Snyder, plank and sleeper,	19.90
L. C. Putney, fixing bridges,	1.50
L. C. Putney, hauling lumber,	3.00
G. S. Scribnér, 1-2 day,	.75
G. E. Chase, 1-2 day,	.63
L. C. Putney, 1-2 day,	.80
	— \$27.93
Paid for blasting :	
M. J. Walker, 1 day,	\$1.50
G. S. Scribner, 1 day,	1.50
L. C. Putney, 1 day,	1.50
	— \$4.50
Paid for breaking roads :	
W. F. Wadleigh,	12.90
H. F. Pearson, wind fence,	3.00
George Hanson,	.87
F. E. Robertson,	1.25
F. L. Elliott,	6.83
F. T. Colby,	5.75
D. G. Holmes,	9.74
H. F. Pearson,	.75
L. C. Putney,	2.50
G. B. Russell,	1.00
E. J. Scribner,	6.75
O. P. Daniells,	1.25
	— \$52.59

Total expenditure, \$244.35

Tools in my possession: One steel bar, two shovels, one garden rake, two drills.

Respectfully submitted,
LUTHER C. PUTNEY,
Road Agent.

D. S. SCRIBNER, ROAD ACCOUNT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEBRUARY 15, 1899.

Received of Town Treasurer by order of Selectmen, \$251.32

PAID.

Mar. 1898.	Cutting out drifts and turning water out of road :	
	D. S. Scribner, 2 1-2 days,	\$3.75
	G. H. Stone, 12 hours,	1.50
	Maurice George, 2 hours,	.25
	Ben Little, 1 day,	1.25
	Charles Watson, 9 hours,	1.13
	J. L. Colby, cutting out drifts and looking after road,	2.15
	Burbank Bros, 1 day,	1.25
		— \$11.28
May 1898.	Paid for work with machine :	
	G. H. Perkins, man, and four horses, 6 days,	\$45.00
	D. S. Scribner, 6 days,	9.00
	G. H. Stone, 4 days,	5.00
	B. P. Little, 3 days and 7 hours,	4.62
	Maurice George, 1 day,	1.25
	E. Silver & Son, 5 days,	6.25
	Charles George, 1-2 day,	.63
	C. D. Glitten, 2 days,	2.50
	Charles Watson, 5 days,	6.25
	C. Jackman, 2 days,	2.50
	B. E. Holmes with team, 1 day,	3.00
	B. E. Holmes, 4 days, running machine,	6.00
	D. Greenlaw, 2 days,	2.50
	Frank Wells, 3 days,	3.75
	J. R. Dodge, self and horses, 1 1-2 days,	4.50
	E. W. Keniston, 1 day,	1.25
	D. S. Scribner, 1-2 day with team getting machine,	1.50
		— \$105.00
	Paid for work on roads :	
June 1898.	B. P. Little, 1 day,	\$1.25
	F. E. Wells, 1 1-2 days,	1.875

June 1898.	G. H. Stone, 2 days,	\$2.50
	J. R. Dodge, self and horses, 1 1-2 days,	4.50
	J. R. Dodge, 1 1-2 hours,	.19
	E. W. Keniston, 3 1-2 days,	4.375
	E Hardy, 6 hours,	.75
	Newell Watson, self and team, 1-2 day,	1.50
	D. S. Scribner, self and team, 3 1-2 days,	10.00
	D. S. Scribner, 6 1-2 hours,	.975
	Charles Watson, 2 days and 1-2 hour,	2.56
		————— \$30.975.
	Paid for covering sand on Corser Hill:	
	J. R. Dodge, self and team, 1 day,	3.00
	N. Watson, self and team, 1 day,	3.00
	Charles Watson, 1 day,	1.25
	G. H. Stone, 1 day,	1.25
	D. S. Scribner, 1 day,	1.50
	Luther Titcomb, 1-2 day,	.625
		————— \$10.625
	Paid for blasting stone:	
	G. H. Stone, 2 days,	2.50
	E. W. Keniston, 3 days,	3.75
	D. S. Scribner, 3 days,	4.50
		————— \$10.75
	Paid for cutting bushes:	
Aug. 1898.	B. P. Little, 1 day,	1.25
	E. W. Keniston,	1.25
	Maurice George, 1-2 day,	.625
	Kirk Bills, 1-2 days,	.63
	D. S. Scribner,	1.50
		————— \$5.255
	Paid for repairing roads:	
	E. W. Keniston, 1 day,	\$1.25
	G. H. Stone, 13 hours,	1.625
	D. S. Scribner, with team,	

Aug. 1898.	2 days,	6.00
Sept.	J. R. Dodge, 13 hours.	1.625
	J. R. Dodge, use of team 3 hours,	.525
	Maurice George, 3 days,	3.75
	Kirk Bills, 1-2 day,	.62
	B. P. Little, 2 days,	2.50
	G. H. Stone, 1 day,	1.25
	D. S. Scribner, 6 1-2 day,	9.75
		— \$28.895
Paid for culverts, and bridges.		
Oct. 1898.	G. H. Stone, 1-2 day,	\$.63
	J. R. Dodge, 1 1-2 days,	1.88
	E. W. Keniston, 1 1-2 days,	1.88
	D. S. Scribner, 2 days,	3.00
		— \$7.39
Paid for repairing roads:		
	Watson Bros., 11 hours,	\$1.38
	J. R. Dodge, 1 1-2 days,	1.87
	J. R. Dodge, use of team 2 hours,	.35
	E. W. Keniston, 2 1-2 days,	3.12
	D. S. Scribner, 4 days,	6.00
		— \$12.72
Paid for breaking roads:		
1899.	B. P. Little,	\$1.88
	G. H. Stone,	.63
	Frank E. Wells,	2.85
	B. E. Holmes,	6.90
	Watson Bros.,	5.65
	James L. Colby,	1.50
	Eben J. Hardy,	.75
	Fred W. Courser,	1.75
	William Harper,	.87
	Albert F. Hardy,	.40
	D. S. Scribner,	3.75
		— \$27.93
	Total expenditures,	\$251.32

Tools in my possession: One scraper, one steel bar, one pick, two shovels, one hoe.

Respectfully submitted,

D. S. SCRIBNER,

Road Agent.

**GEORGE S. SCRIBNER, ROAD ACCOUNT FROM FEB. 15,
1898, TO MARCH 15, 1898.**

Received of town treasurer, by order of Selectmen,

\$241.55

Paid for breaking roads:

Herbert C. Dustin,	\$.68
J. M. Snyder,	.75
G. H. Perkins,	.82
G. H. Perkins, for Clough & Sanborn's hill,	4.62
C. H. Putney,	3.43
Charles F. Sanborn,	.55
Thomas Elliott,	.25
Gilman Jones,	.38
G. S. Scribner,	2.25
J. L. Gerrish,	.15
J. F. Balch,	.90
T. C. Balch,	.90
C. C. Kimball,	.56
George Lock,	.65
I. M. Scribner,	.53
M. H. Kimball,	.25

\$17.67

Paid for snowing bridges:

Herbert C. Dustin, Amesbury,	\$2.50
John Perkins, Blackwater,	2.50
J. M. Snyder, Snyder's,	2.00

\$7.00

ROAD ACCOUNT FROM MARCH 15, 1898 TO FEB. 13, 1899.

Paid for washouts:

C. C. Kimball,	\$1.50
G. S. Scribner, 2 days, 8 hours,	4.19
G. S. Scribner, with team, 1 1-2 hours,	.38
I. H. Scribner, 7 3-4 hours,	.96

\$7.03

Paid for culverts :

G. S. Scribner, 4 new culverts,	\$4.13
G. S. Scribner, fixing culverts, 1 day,	1.50
G. S. Scribner, with team, 2 hours,	.60
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	\$6.23

Paid for digging ditch on Roby road :

G. S. Scribner, 8 hours,	1.20
Fred George, 8 hours,	1.00
Arthur Roby, 4 1-2 hours,	.56
I. H. Scribner, 2 hours,	.25
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	\$3.01

Paid for work on machine :

L. C. Putney, with team, 9 days,	\$29.25
G. S. Scribner, with team, 9 days,	31.50
Arthur B. Kilborn, with team, 9 days,	31.50
Fred Frost, for running machine 9 days,	13.50
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	\$105.75

Paid for work on road :

Fred George, 9 days, 5 hours,	\$11.87
Thomas Elliott, 7 days,	8.75
L. C. Putney's man, 5 days,	6.25
Sherman Ober, 4 days,	5.00
G. S. Scribner, 1 day, 2 hours,	1.80
G. S. Scribner, with team, 1 day, 3 1-2 hours,	4.05
I. H. Scribner, 2 days, 2 1-3 hours,	2.78
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	\$40.50

Paid for getting out stone :

G. S. Scribner, 1 day, 5 hours,	\$2.25
L. C. Putney, 5 hours,	.75
G. S. Scribner, with team, 5 hours,	.75
I. H. Scribner, 2 hours,	.25
	—
	\$4.00

Paid for lumber :

G. S. Scribner, planks for culvert,	\$.75
G. S. Scribner, 6 posts for guide boards,	1.50
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	\$2.50

Paid for repairing machine, etc.

George A. Lock,	\$.62
G. S. Scribner,	.75
John Little, plank for pole,	.50
J. M. Snyder, for sawing pole,	.10
George A. Lock, for 3 bolts,	.04
George A. Lock, sharpening drills,	.46
George A. Lock, sharpening 2 bars,	.20
George A. Lock, mending chain,	.15
	—
	\$2.82

Paid for tile and tools:

Rand & Tasker, 50 ft. 8 in. tile,	\$6.75
Rand & Tasker, one bush hook handle,	.15
Humphrey & Dodge, one sledge hammer and handle,	1.15
	—
	\$8.05

Paid G. S. Scribner, for setting posts and putting up guide boards,

Paid G. S. Scribner, for getting tile,	\$1.00
G. S. Scribner, express on guide boards,	.86
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	\$1.86

Paid for breaking roads in Nov. and Dec.

1898:

G. S. Scribner,	\$4.43
C. C. Kimball,	1.60
C. H. Putney,	1.58
Fred George,	1.77
T. E. Balch,	1.25
I. F. Balch,	1.03
Oscar Drown,	.75
G. H. Perkins, for Clough & Sanborn's hill,	.55
I. H. Scribner,	.46
J. L. Gerrish,	.31
	—
	\$13.03

Paid for breaking roads in 1899:

G. H. Perkins,	\$2.20
G. H. Perkins, for Clough & Sanborn's hill,	5.92

Paid C. H. Putney,	\$3.67
G. S. Scribner,	.3.60
H. C. Dustin,	2.50
C. C. Kimball,	1.15
E. J. Jones,	.95
Charles F. Sanborn,	.13
H. H. Gerrish,	.12
Elmer B. Gerrish,	.12
I. H. Scribner,	.12
	—
	\$20.48

Total expenditure, \$241.55

Tools in my possession and belonging to the town of Webster: Three drills, one sledge hammer, one hand hammer one steel bar, two bush hooks, two spades and one hoe.

Respectfully submitted,
GEORGE S. SCRIBNER,
Road Agent.

SCHOOL REPORT.

As there was actually remaining in the school treasury, after paying Mr. Connolly for teaching the winter term, over \$130 on the first of April 1898, your committee saw fit to use a part of the 5 per cent, which the law allows them to use for repairs, in making needed renovations in some of the school rooms.

Accordingly something was done in this line in three of the school rooms, viz, Corser Hill, Bashan and Putney Hill.

The improvement accomplished we believe was such as to warrant its continuance and extension to other houses during the coming year, and that this may be done without shortening our schools we recommend that a small sum be appropriated by the District for these repairs, or for the general school fund, which would accomplish the same object by virtue of the 5 per cent allowed for repairs.

The schools for the past year we believe, have, as a whole, been quite as successful as the average heretofore. It has been our policy to employ teachers of experience or

special training, when it was possible to secure such with the salary which we were able to pay.

During the year covered by our report to the State Superintendent of schools, viz, from August 1897 to August 1898, there were taught in the District six schools of twenty-five weeks each during which five pupils were not absent or tardy, a roll of honor which it is hoped will be materially lengthened next year. The largest number of scholars enrolled in any one term was 18 and the smallest number was 6, but in five-sixths of all the terms for the year the number enrolled was 12 or less, thus showing a steady decrease in the size of our schools, a fact which must operate toward a still further reduction in the number of schools to be maintained in the near future. The average wages of teachers during the year has been six dollars per week, including board. Finally, our experience has proved that the interest of both teacher and pupils must be in their school work, in order to obtain satisfactory results, and that in proportion as the interest of either lags, the school suffers, and further that a most power-factor in creating and sustaining this condition is the ful interest taken in the welfare of the schools by parents and others who have the home care of the children.

Respectfully Submitted,

HENRY DODGE,

Chairman of the School Board

Webster, N. H., Feb. 15, 1899.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WEBSTER SCHOOL
DISTRICT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1899.**

RECEIPTS.

Received of Henry Dodge, former treasurer,

\$209.17

Received of Town Treasurer,

1007.00

Received of Town Treasurer, text book fund,

29.85

1246.02

EXPENDITURES.

Paid 1898.

April 1	C. B. Connolly, teaching 7 weeks.	70.00
May 3	B. W. Rowell, work and material repairing school houses,	37.39
May 7	Henry F. Pearson, work and material repairing school houses,	2.67
	Lizzie H. Scribner, cleaning house,	2.00
	J. L. Hammet & Co., slating and ink,	4.20
	R. E. Lane, notices and enumeration blanks	1.00
	Henry J. Brackett, 3000 shingles,	6.00
June 4	Lorenzo S. Tilton, cleaning school house, and sawing 1-2 cord of wood,	2.50
June 30	Eva M. Whalen, teaching 10 weeks,	60.00
July 1	Mamie Connor, teaching 10 weeks,	65.00
	Alice W. Goodwin, teaching 10 weeks,	60.00
July 6	Mary R. Webster, teaching 10 weeks,	60.00
July 9	Mabel C. Taylor, teaching 9 weeks,	54.00
July 13	D. C. Heath & Co., writing books,	7.50
July 18	George C. Chase, cleaning school houses,	4.00
Sept. 5	Henry F. Pearson, pail, broom and freight,	1.15
Sept. 8	Mrs. Fred E. Frost, teaching child 10 weeks,	5.00
Sept. 15	Henry F. Pearson, wood and crayons,	2.35

Sept. 20	E. J. Hardy, cleaning house, repairs and wood,	4.75
Oct. 4	T. E. Balch, wood,	4.00
Nov. 5	Mrs. E. O. Bullock, teaching 9 weeks,	58.50
	Mary R. Webster, teaching 10 weeks,	60.00
	D. S. Sanborn, wood and re- pairs,	5.00
	W. W. Allen, paper,	1.24
Dec. 3	J. A. Dodge, cleaning house, enumeration of children and express on books,	4.30
Nov. 3	George H. Stone, carrying scholars 10 weeks,	40.00
Nov. 9	Alice Goodwin, teaching 10 weeks,	48.00
Dec. 3	Kirk H. Bills, labor preparing and hauling wood,	2.00
Dec. 6	Mabelle C. Taylor, teaching 4 weeks,	22.00
Dec. 10	Henry F. Pearson, wood,	2.60
Dec. 17	Rossetta R. Sanborn, teaching 16 weeks,	88.00
	Ellen K. Abbott, teaching 16 weeks,	72.00
Dec. 19	Mary R. Webster, teaching 6 weeks,	36.00
	Hattie A. French, teaching fall and winter term,	96.00
Dec. 24	E. J. Hardy, hauling and fit- ting wood,	1.00
Dec. 26	Alice W. Goodwin, teaching ing 8 weeks,	48.00
	Mabelle C. Taylor, teaching 12 weeks,	66.00
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Jan. 4	Elsie D. Bohanan, teaching 6 weeks,	36.00
Jan. 9	Lorenzo S. Tilton, cleaning house and fitting wood,	2.75

June 9	Henry F. Pearson, wood,	\$1.00
Feb. 18	C. H. Putney, wood and repairs,	9.30
	Ginn & Co., supplies,	5.60
	G. F. King & Merrill, sup- plies,	7.38
	E. C. Eastman, supplies,	1.25
	Werner School Book Co., sup- plies,	1.92
	Henry Dodge, money paid for sawing wood, and broom,	1.60
	Daniel S. Scribner, wood,	2.00
	Burbank Bros., wood and lumber,	6.23
	Cash in treasury,	66.84
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		\$1246.02

Respectfully submitted,
 WILLIAM W. BURBANK,
 Treasurer.

We have examined the foregoing accounts of the treasurer and find it correctly cast and properly vouched.

T. C. SWEATT,
 L. C TITCOMB,
 Auditors.

REPORT OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

Owing to absence from town and sickness the trustees are unable to publish the titles, etc., of books to be added to the library this spring in the present report. They will appear, however, in the next annual town report.

HENRY DODGE,
 HENRY H. GERRISH,
 VIENNA DODGE.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cash unexpended from last year,	\$6.35
Rec'd of town treasurer by order of selectmen,	53.70
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Balance in hand of treasurer,	\$60.05

HENRY DODGE, Treasurer.

VITAL STATISTICS.

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BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WEBSTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

		Sex and condition.		Name of child (if any).		Name of father.		Maiden name of mother.		Residence of parents.		Occupation of father.		Birthplace of father.		Birthplace of mother.		Age of father.		Age of mother.	
Date of Birth.	Place of Birth.	Male.	Female.	1st, or 2d, or 3d child born alive.	2d, or 3d child born dead.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.	Color.
1898.																					
Jan. 29	Webster	Ira Edward	M	L. 1st.	W. Hollis Spaulding	..	Annie B. Nichols	..	W. Webster	.....	Laborer	.....	New Ipswich	Northwood	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
eb. 15	"	Bernice Lillian	M	F.	L. 2d.	W. Edward L. Forsyth	Alma L. Brackett	..	W.	"	Laborer	.....	Manchester	Webster	.....	23	23	23	23	23	23
Mar. 10	"	Maxwell Ira	M	M.	L. 5th	W. Delmar Greenlaw	Lizzie H. Sanborn	W.	"	"	Laborer	.....	Deer Island	Webster	.....	26	29	29	29	29	29
Apr. 13	"	Clyde Gerrish	M	M.	L. 1st.	W. Geo. H. Fairbanks	Mary E. Gerrish	W.	"	"	Me.	Webster	.....	Webster	.....	22	23	23	23	23	23
July 24	"	Mahlon Clarence	M	M.	L. 1st.	W. Clarence T. Elliott	Alma H. Collins	W.	"	"	Blacksmith	.....	Webster	.....	Webster	.....	22	22	22	22	22
											Farmer	.....	Webster	.....	Gilmanton	.....	30	22	22	22	22
											Iron Works	.....	Iron Works	.....	Iron Works	.....				

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

FRANK A. LANG, Town Clerk.

MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WEBSTER FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Date of marriage.	Place of marriage.	Name of groom and bride.	Residence at time of marriage.	Occupation of each	Birthplace of each.	Names of parents.	Birthplace of parents.	Occupation of parents.	Name, residence and official station of person by whom married
1898.									
Feb. 9..	Contocook.	Albert F. Hardy....	Webster.... 31 W.	Farmer.....	Canada.....	Eben T. Hardy.....	Haverhill....	Farmer.....	2 William Thompson, Clergyman.....
		Alice A. Tilton.....	"	" 13 "	Webster....	Adeline C. Bowen.....	"	Housewife.....	1 Clergywoman.....
Aug. 15.	Claremont.	George Bourassa.....	Webster.... 19 "	Laborer.....	Canada....	Lorenzo F. Tilton.....	Peter Bourassa.....	Farmer.....	Contocook
		Cora Cayo.....	Claremont.... 16 "	"	"	Luella Ladd.....	Juvia Bourassa.....	"	
Nov. 24.	Boscawen.	Arthur E. French....	Webster.... 30 "	Farmer.....	Webster....	Reuben French.....	Truffie Cayo.....	Farmer.....	P. J. Flanagan, Cath. Priest, Claremont
		Grace D. Atkinson....	Boscawen.... 20 "	"	"	Mary A. Thompson....	Royalto Ytton.....	Farmer.....	
						George Atkinson....	Boscawen....	Farmer.....	Andrew Gibson, Clergyman.....
						Hattie Annis.....	North Groton	Housewife.....	1 Bosawen.....
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I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief,

FRANK A. LANG, Town Clerk.

DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WEBSTER, FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1898.

Date of Death	Place of Death	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.		Sex and condition.		Name of father.	M iden name of mother.	Disease or cause of death.	Name of phy- sician or other per- son reporting the same.
			Years, Months, Days,	Age. Years, Months, Days,	Male.	Female.				
1898,										
Jan. 7	Webster	William Pearson...	70	10 2	Boscawen...	M.	W. W. Farmer ...	Paul Pearson	Sarah Couch.....	Heart Disease.....
Feb. 17	"	Moses Webster....	86	8 28	Hill	M.	W. W. "	Moses Webster.....	Rebecca Sargent	Old age.....
Apr. 20	"	Charles E. Putney	70	10 20	Boscawen...	M.	W. M. "	Stephen Putney.....	Sally Eastman.....	Cancer.....
May 14	"	Frank Ordway....	66	....	....	M.	W. W. "	Eben Ordway.....	Eunice Mosher.....	Heart disease
July 9	"	Wm. A. K. Bartlett	1	3 3	Wrentham, Mass.	M.	W. S.	Eli V. Bartlett	Nellie Stewart	Contoocook
July 20	"	Inez May Towle...	10	7	Tilton.....	F. W. S.	F. W. S.	Cyrus W. Towle	Annie M. Brown	Henry Dodge
Sept. 4	"	Cora E. Putney....	40	11 7	Webster	F. w. S.	F. w. S.	Charles E. Putney	Susan C. Sanborn	Webster
Sept. 13	"	Ida L. Tilton.....	41	4 14	Bradford, Vt	F. W. M. Housewife	Hiram Thompson..	Susan J. Kimball	Typho malarial fever...	Henry Dodge
										Webster

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FRANK A. LANG, Town Clerk.

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